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# MARICOPA COUNTY MERIT COMMISSION AMENDED OPEN SESSION AGENDA

1:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 6, 2008

Board of Supervisors Conference Room
301 W. Jefferson, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Phoenix, AZ

Employee Merit System
Law Enforcement Officers Merit System
Special Health Care District Employee Merit System

## **CALL TO ORDER**

One or more members may attend telephonically. Members attending telephonically will be announced at the meeting.

The Board may vote to recess into an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board's attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

#### EMPLOYEE MERIT SYSTEM

- 1. Approval of the January 9, 2008, Executive and General Session meeting minutes.
- 2. This is the time set by the Commission to consider the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation for the following appeal:

MC2007- 08: Eloy Diaz vs. Facilities Management

Disciplinary Action: Dismissal

Respondent's Attorney: Brandon Newton, Deputy County Attorney

Appellant's Representative: None

Hearing Officer (HO): Amy Lieberman, Hearing Officer

HO Recommendation: Respondent's action of dismissal be upheld

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter by contacting the Merit System Administrator at (602) 506-3792. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation.

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3. This is the time set by the Commission to consider the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation for the following appeal:

MC2007- 06: Peter Ligouri vs. Office of the Public Defender

Disciplinary Action: Dismissal

Respondent's Attorney: Brandon Newton, Deputy County Attorney

Appellant's Representative: Michael Dergo, Attorney at Law Hearing Officer (HO): Prudence Lee, Hearing Officer

HO Recommendation: Respondent's action of dismissal be upheld

4. This is the time set by the Commission to consider the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation for the following appeal:

MC2007- 05 Tina Gonzales vs. Clerk of the Court

Disciplinary Action: Dismissal

Respondent's Attorney: Valli Gross, Assistant Attorney General

Appellant's Representative: Joe Gonzales

Hearing Officer (HO): Harold Merkow, Hearing Officer

HO Recommendation: Respondent's action of dismissal be upheld

## SPECIAL HEALTH CARE DISTRICT MERIT SYSTEM

- 5. Approval of the January 9, 2008, Executive and General Session meeting minutes.
- 6. This is the time set by the Commission to consider the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation for the following appeal:

MC2007- 01 Albert Flores vs. Maricopa Integrated Health System

Disciplinary Action: Dismissal

Respondent's Attorney: Martin Demos, Assistant District Counsel

Appellant's Representative: none

Hearing Officer (HO): Douglas Erickson, Hearing Officer

HO Recommendation: Respondent's action of dismissal be upheld

## LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MERIT SYSTEM

- 7. Approval of the January 9, 2008, Executive and General Session meeting minutes.
- 8. This is the time set by the Commission to consider and vote on the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Motion for Reconsideration and, if necessary or appropriate, to consider and vote on the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation for Adam Peterson vs. Sheriff, MC2007-03.

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## CALL TO THE PUBLIC AND STATUS OF APPEALS

- 9. Information report from the Merit System Administrator regarding the status of appeals.
- 10. Public comment on matters pertaining to the Merit Commission. Note that pursuant to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, Commissioners may not discuss matters raised under this public comment portion of the meeting.